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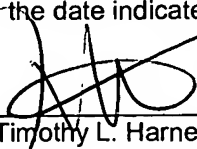
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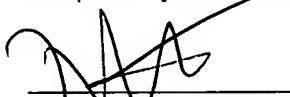
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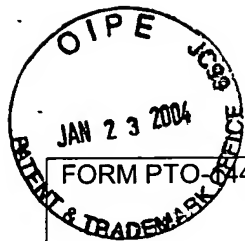
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	A5	Misaridis et al., "An effective coded excitation scheme based on a predistorted FM signal and an optimized digital filter," Center for Fast Ultrasound Imaging, Department of Information Technology; Technology University of Denmark.

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